UNIVERSITY OF GHANA
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DCIT 401: SOCIAL, LEGAL, ETHICAL AND PROFESSIONAL ISSUES CREDITS: 3

Computer Ethics - Assignment 1

Assignment:

Research into the history of computer ethics and its evolution over time.

Instructions:

1. Begin by researching the origins of computer ethics and its development as a

field of study. Consider the social and cultural context in which the field

emerged, as well as the key figures and organisations that have been

influential in shaping its development.

2. Next, focus on the major ethical issues that have been addressed in computer

ethics over the years. This might include issues related to privacy, security,

intellectual property, and the impact of technology on society. Consider how

these issues have evolved over time and the ways in which they continue to

be relevant today.

3. Finally, research the current state of computer ethics and its future prospects.

Consider the ongoing debates and controversies in the field, as well as the

emerging issues that are likely to shape its development in the coming years.

4. Summarise your findings into a 4 page pdf document, discussing the key

points you have learned about the history, evolution, and current state of

computer ethics.

5. In your paper, include at least 4 academic sources that you have used in your

research and cite them properly in APA format.